Health and Human Services

Iowa Department of Health And Human Services

CHILD CARE ANNUAL EVALUATION

Business Name: Sierra Werkmeister

Provider Name: Sierra Werkmeister

Provider No.: 53016

Address: PO Box 383, Sioux Rapids, IA, 50585

E-Mail:

County: Buena Vista

Phone Number: 7122402941

[X] Pre-Inspection Date: 1/27/2026

[ ] Approval Date:

[ ] Annual Visit Date:

Program Type:

[X] Registered Child Development Home A (guidelines for ratios on all categories)

[ ] Registered Child Development Home B

[ ] Registered Child Development Home C

[ ] Registered Child Development Home C1

[ ] Non Registered Child Care Homes accepting CCA

Program Population Served:

[ ] Infant(0<24 mos)

[ ] Toddler

[ ] PreSchool

[ ] School Age

[X] All Ages

1. Basic Overview

Sierra is applying to be a category A registered provider with a Child Care Assistance provider agreement. She resides in a larger older home with plenty of space on the main floor for childcare. There is a large backyard for the children to play in.

2. Identify Observed Strengths Of The Program

Sierra's home is clean and well maintained. There are no safety concerns in the home. She seems to be committed to providing a quality childcare program for the families and children.

3. Identify The Aspects That Fall Below The Standard

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Emergency numbers posted for police, fire, ambulance, and poison information center.

Emergency numbers need to be posted in the home.

All accessible electrical outlets are safely capped or are tamper-resistant electrical outlets.

Numerous outlets in the home need to be capped.

110.8 (1) f : A safety barrier surrounds any heating stove or heating element, in order to prevent burns.

A safety barrier is needed around the fireplace if in use, or the room can be closed off from children during childcare hours.

Nonsmoking signs are posted at every entrance of the home and in every vehicle used to transport children. Signs include telephone number for reporting complaints, and www.iowasmokefreeair.gov.

No Smoking signs need to be posted by all entrances of the home.

All dogs and cats have annual examinations. Records of the exams are on file and must verify that routine immunizations are current and animal is free of endo and ecto parasites.
Form 470-5153, Pet Health Examination Veterinary Health Certificate, is on file.

Current physical examinations are needed for all pets in the home.

110.8 (2) a : A safe outdoor play area is maintained in good condition throughout the year. Is kept free from litter, rubbish, and flammable materials.

The outdoor play area needs to be cleaned and all unsafe materials need to be removed before children can play in the yard.

110.8 (4) a : Emergency and disaster plans for fire and tornado are written and posted by primary and secondary exits. The plans shall clearly map building evacuation routes in case of fire, a safe place indoors in case of tornado, and flood shelter areas.

Emergency exit plans are needed by all exits of the home.

110.8 (4) b : Procedures are in place for: Evacuation to safely leave the facility, Relocation to a common, safe location after evacuation, Shelter-in-place to take immediate shelter where the child is when it is unsafe to leave that location due to the emergent issue, Lock down to protect children and providers from an external situation, Communication and reunification with families, Continuity of operations, and Procedures to address the needs of individual children, including those with functional or access needs.

The provider needs to complete the Emergency Preparedness and Response plan.

110.9 (1) a : Within six months of becoming registered, a physical exam report documented on form 470-5152, Child Care Provider Physical Examination Report, for all household members over the age of 18. Physical exams should be repeated every three years.

Within six months of becoming registered, children 18 years of age or younger residing in the household must have: Admission physical exam report. Immunization certificate. For school age: Documentation of physical exam completed at time of school enrollment or since that time.

All household members need documentation of physical examinations within the next six months.

4. Any corrective action plans, provisional license, and safety plans-steps to get into compliance

NA

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5. Special Notes/recommendations

2026 targeted compliance of Emergency Preparedness Plan - The provider's plan was not completed at the time of the pre-inspection visit.

All items/pictures need to be received by 4/1/26 or registration will be denied. Please send to Dave.Jaehrling@hhs.iowa.gov

HHS Child Development
Home Compliance Worker: Dave Jaehrling Date: 3/11/2026

Non-compliance with any of the mandated regulatory requirements listed above may lead to the cancellation or revocation of your Child Development Home Registration. Please take whatever steps are necessary to completely address each of the violations noted above. It is essential you correct all above-mentioned violations.

Child Care Resource and Referral is an excellent resource for providers to access training options and support in your area. You can reach Child Care Resource and Referral at (712) 786-3489